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The Honorable Harold Brown
Secretary of Defense
Washington, D.C. 20301

Attention: Mr. John G. Kester
Special Assistant to the Secretary

Dear Mr. Secretary:

In connection with its investigation into the circumstances surrounding the death of President John F. Kennedy, the Select Committee on Assassinations requests that you provide the following information about the persons listed in Attachment A:

1. For how many of these persons do you have files or file references?

2. How many of these persons visited or lived in the U.S.S.R. or a Soviet bloc country at any time during the period 1958-1963?

3. How many of these persons were considered to be "defectors" to the U.S.S.R. or a Soviet bloc country?

4. a) How many of these persons considered by you to be "defectors" were interviewed or debriefed by the Department of Defense?

   b) How many contacts were generally made with such a person?

5. How many of these debriefings revealed that the individual had had contact with the KGB during his stay in the Soviet Union?

6. a) Was it standard operating procedure to interview returning "defectors"?

6. b) How many of those persons not interviewed by the Department of Defense were interviewed by another federal agency?

Please consider this a priority request. We would greatly appreciate compliance by November 1, 1978.

Sincerely,

G. Robert Blakey

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Chief Counsel and Director

Attachment

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ATTACHMENT A

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3. Amron, Irving
DPOB: 04 December 1917; New York

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11. Block, Mollie
DPOB: 6 November 1912; New York, New York

12. Block, Morris
DPOB: 30 March 1920; New York, New York

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16. Citrynell, Harold
DPOB: 10 March 1923; New York, New York

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21. Davis, Bruce
DPOB: 4 May 1936; Rome, New York

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25. Dubinsky, Shirley
DPOB: 11 March 1925; New York, New York

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27. Frank, Richard
DPOB: 22 August 1922; Rochester, New York

28. Frank, Susan
DPOB: 18 November 1913; New York, New York

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30. Gold, Robert
DPOB: 14 March 1928; Massachusetts

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38. Halperin, Maurice H.
DPOB: 03 March 1906; Boston, Massachusetts

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47. Jones, Louis
DPOB: 17 March 1934; Arlington Heights, Ohio

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57. Lawson, John
DPOB: 25 September, 1904

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64. Martinkus, Anthony
DPOB: 15 June 1911; Chicago, Illinois

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67. Meyer, Karl
DPOB: 30 June 1937; Mountain, Wisconsin

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76. Oswald, Lee Harvey
DPOB; 18 October 1939; New Orleans, Louisiana

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80. Parker, James
DPOB: 21 February 1926; Alameda, California

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82. Petrulli, Nicholas
DPOB: 13 February 1921; Brooklyn, New York

83. Pittman, John
DPOB: 17 September 1906; Atlanta, Georgia

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108. Webster, Robert
DPOB: 23 October 1928; Tiffin, Ohio

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111. Wilson, George
DPOB: 25 October, 1921; Indianapolis, Indiana

112. Winston, Henry
DPOB: 02 April 1911; Hattiesburg, Mississippi

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